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REQUEST FOR REFUND OF ISSUE FEE

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a refund of the issue fee, publication fee and advance patent copies fees paid in the subject application.

On June 17, 2003, applicants submitted the issue fee payment of \$962 in accordance with the Notice of Allowance dated March 21, 2003. The payment included \$650 for the issue fee, \$300 for the publication fee, and \$12 for four (4) advance copies of the patent.

On May 14, 2004, the USPTO issued a Notice of Withdrawal from Issue Under 37 CFR §1.313(b), indicating that the application had been withdrawn from issue and that applicants could request a refund or a credit to a specified Deposit Account if the application became abandoned.

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Accordingly, applicants respectfully request that a refund of \$962 be sent to applicants' representative listed below, or a credit of \$962 be credited to Deposit Account No. 17-0055, so that applicants can be refunded for their previous payments.

Respectfully submitted,

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